

APPROVED MINUTES GRASS LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING JULY 19, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Members present – Lesinski, Phillips, Dorr, Pindzia.

Absent – Elliott, Bednarski-Lynch, and Memmer. Zoning Administrator, Nolte present. Audience –J. Ripstra, S. Ford, and 6 public present.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: By all.

AGENDA ADDITIONS: None

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion by Lesinski to accept the agenda, second Dorr, all in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES OF THE MAY 22, 2007 REGULAR MEETING: Motion by Lesinski, second by Pindzia to accept the meeting minutes as presented, all in favor, motion carried.

TOWNSHIP BOARD LIASON REPORT – JOHN LESINSKI:

- Marty Braun resigned from the Board of Trustees. Supervisor is accepting resumes to fill vacancy.
- An election is scheduled for August 7, 2007 to renew the millage for the Fire Station.

NEW BUSINESS:

I.B.R. Final Site Plan Review

The company tests air, water and oil filters and manufactures particle counters for testing equipment. They have outgrown the current building and need to expand. They currently have 18 employees working flexible shifts from 4:00 a.m. through the evening. The Grass Lake Fire Department has inspected the site and found it in compliance with their standards. Jackson County Health Department was scheduled to inspect the property on July 23, 2007.

Zoning Administrator Nolte recommended that the Jackson County Drain Commission office review the plans for conformance with their standards. This should be made a contingency of any approval granted since drainage is not under the Township's jurisdiction.

Motion by Pindzia, second by Dorr to approve the final site plan as presented contingent on Jackson County Drain Commissioner approval and other outside agency approvals/permits as needed. All in favor. Motion carried.

Note that the Chairperson and Secretary signed off on one copy of the approved site plan for the Township records.

JB Squared Final Site Plan Review

John Bronner, owner of the firm was present. He explained that the company is a janitorial supply company based in Ann Arbor currently. They wish to relocate their headquarters to this parcel in Grass Lake because of the close proximity to Interstate 94 as well as their distribution market. The buildings are proposed to have sixteen-foot high walls with the peak of the pitched roof to be approximately twenty feet. JB Squared will occupy a portion of the development. The remaining speculative buildings will be constructed in phases.

Zoning Administrator Nolte reviewed his report. He is comfortable with the proposed parking.

Three construction phases are anticipated. The front, eastern building is scheduled to be built first. The Jackson County Drain Commissioner has approved the plans dated 7/12/07 and presented to the Planning Commission this evening by J. Ripstra.

Motion by Lesinski, second by Dorr to approve the final site plan as presented as all permits are in place. All in favor. Motion carried.

Note that the Chairperson and Secretary signed off on one copy of the approved site plan for the Township records.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The Wolf Lake Yacht Club was briefly discussed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: No public present at this time.

MEETING SCHEDULE CHANGE:

Motion by Lesinski, seconded by Dorr to change the August meeting date of the Planning Commission from August 28, 2007 to August 23, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Pindzia, second by Lesinski to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Pindzia, Secretary